GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7587
ANSWERED ON:15.05.2000
POST OFFICES
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE;MOINUL HASSAN AHAMED

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the ratio of post offices as against population in each State, State-wise

(b) the names of the States where the post offices is less as compared to other States particularly in Madhya Pradesh;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to remove this disparity; and

(d) the details of the development works undertaken in the Post and Telegraph sector in West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala and Tripura ?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

(TAPAN SIKDAR)

a) The information is given in Annexure -A.

b) The information is given in Annexure - B.

c) New Post Offices are opened as per Plan projections. This is subject to availability of funds and sanctioning of required posts by Ministry of Finance.

d) The details of the Post offices opened during 1999-2000 is given in Annexure- C. With the expansion of Telephone Network, the telegraph traffic is steadily declining. Therefore, no specific targets have been fixed for opening of telegraph offices in West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala and Tripura.As per the policy of Department each village is to be provided with Public Telephone facility by March 2002. Public telephones opened in post offices are used to provide telegraph facility on phonocom. The modernization of Telegraph Services has been dome by induction microprocessor based technology. Stores and Dorward Message Switching Systems (SEMSS), Electronic Key Board Concentrators (EKBCs) have been provided in the Telegraph Network as detail below:

State	SEMSS	EKKBCs
West Bengal	1	28
Bihar	2	03
Orissa	2	02
Madhya Pradesh	4	04
Kerala	3	18
Tripura	nil	nil

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARAS (a), (b) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 7587 FOR 15TH MAY, REGARDING POST OFFICES.

ANNEXURE-A

S.No.	NAME OF CIRCLE	POPULATION SERVED PER POST OFFICE
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	4099
2	ASSAM	5737
3	BIHAR	7247
4	DELHI	16467
5	GUJARAT	4622
	Dadara N. Haveli	3049
	Daman & Diu	5975
6	HARYANA	6189
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1849
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	4711
9	KARNATAKA	4548

10 KERALA 5757
Lakshdweep 5173
11 MADHYA PRADESH 5834
12 MAHARASHTRA 6337
Goa 4624
13 NORTH EAST
Arunachal Pradesh 2925
Manipur 2656
Meghalaya 3643
Mizoram 1738
Nagaland 3812
Tripura 3853
14 ORISSA 3880
15 PUNJAB 5370
Chandigarh 12818
16 RAJASTHAN 4231
17 TAMIL NADU 4615
Pondicherry 8526
18 UTTAR PRADESH 6875
19 WEST BENGAL 7884
Sikkim 2009
A & N Islands 2886
TOTAL 5477

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ANNEXURE B
S.No. NAME OF CIRCLE TOTAL NUMBER OF POST OFFICES

1 ANDHRA PRADESH 16186
2 ASSAM 3885
3 BIHAR 11914
4 DELHI 569
5 GUJARAT 8960
Dadara N. Haveli 34
Daman & Diu 17
6 HARYANA 2637
7 HIMACHAL PRADESH 2764
8 JAMMU & KASHMIR 1639
9 KARNATAKA 9853
10 KERALA 5051
Lakshdweep 14
11 MADHYA PRADESH 11335
12 MAHARASHTRA 12426
Goa 253
13 NORTH EAST
Arunachal Pradesh 294
Manipur 689
Meghalaya 483
Mizoram 397
Nagaland 320
Tripura 711
14 ORISSA 8120
15 PUNJAB 3879
Chandigarh 52
16 RAJASTHAN 10371
17 TAMIL NADU 12055
Pondicherry 95
18 UTTAR PRADESH 20223
19 WEST BENGAL 8622
Sikkim 204
A & N Islands 97
TOTAL 154149

ANNEXURE-C

DETAILS OF POST OFFICES OPENED DURING 1999-2000

	TARGETS		ACHIEVEMENTS	
	EDBOs	DSOs	EDBOs	DSOs
West Bengal	43	9	41	9
Bihar	50	3	51	-
Orissa	14	2	14	2
Madhya Pradesh	40	4	40	4
Kerala	4	2	4	2